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MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

FROM:

Director, Community Counterintelligence
and Security Countermeasures Office

SUBJECT: Contributions to 1987 National Assessment of the
Hostile Intelligence Threat and US Countermeasures

REFERENCE: DCI/ICS-87-0760, 9 January 1987, and subsequent cor-
respondence on Subject

1. The 1 June deadline for contributions to this year's assessment is now only a month away. As noted in reference, various agencies agreed to take the lead in preparing contributions for selected portions of the assessment, assisted by contributions from others in areas of multiple or related responsibilities. Those who have not yet forwarded their comments to the lead agencies should do so as soon as possible. Copies of all comments to lead agencies should also be sent to this office in order to maintain a central repository for the materials used in the production of the annual threat assessments.

2. Several investigations have been initiated as a result of recent developments concerning the security of our embassy in Moscow. These include reviews by former Secretaries Schlesinger and Laird, as well as by the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board. The results of these reviews will undoubtedly bear on portions of the assessment, but they are not even scheduled to be available before the deadline for receipt of contributions. Moreover, if their schedules slip (and the nature of the problems, including possible criminal prosecutions, make reasonable some expectation of delays), the results of the investigations may not be available for months. Consequently, in order to adhere as closely as possible to the publication schedule for the assessment, the 1 June deadline for contributions will not be extended. We will use information made available to us from the various ongoing investigations during the drafting process. You will have the opportunity to comment on our use of the investigatory materials during discussions of the draft.

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3. Please make your contributions as complete as possible with the information now available to you. The tentative nature of recommendations to improve US counterintelligence and security countermeasures posture made in the next month is clearly recognized, but the need to begin working the recommendations as early as possible is equally apparent. You are, consequently, urged to proceed with draft recommendations as if the several investigations are not ongoing. As with the body of the assessment, the recommendations will be reviewed as the product of the investigations becomes available. In addition, you may update your views as required.



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